

## THE DELAWARE PLOT

**ISSUES OF THE CAMPAIGN**  
A STATEMENT OF THEM BY MR. STANLEY  
A PLAN FOR DEMOCRATIC HARMONY—MR. TRUMAN  
STILL HUNT—KEARNEY'S DEFEAT—VIRGINIA

Mr. Sherman addressed the Republican meeting, Mansfield, O., last night, on the great issue of the campaign. He said personally he would not support the candidate for the Presidency unless the Republican party supported him in the election of delegates to Chicago, with substantial unanimity. Kearney ticket has been defeated in San Francisco by a emphatic majority. A committee of the Democratic party has proposed a plan for settling the differences between the party in this State. The committee is composed of the following members:

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remarks made a year ago to the effect that he came to mend his fences, and, after returning thanks for the warm welcome he received, continued: "By the course of recent events, and not by my own seeking, my name is mentioned among those from whom the Republican party will select one to carry its banner in the approaching Presidential contest. It is not exigent to state this fact, and it would not be

manly shrink from the criticism and scrutiny which such a choice necessarily invites and provokes.

"I accepted the position without a pretense of modesty, because I do not think it right to allow friends to put themselves to trouble on my account without a frank avowal that I was willing to accept, and without a delaying until certain of success [applause]; but with the firm determination not to detract from the merits on the services of others, nor to seek this lofty elevation by dishonorable means or lying evasions or pretences. [Applause.] In this way, and in this way only, am I a candidate; but with great doubt whether, if nominated,

I would meet the expectations of friends, and resolved, in case of failure, that I will abide cheerfully and kindly by the change, and will not be less attached to the cause.

Upon one condition, scarcely necessary to state. There is my candidacy depends, and that is, if the Republicans of Ohio do not fairly and fully in their Convention express a preference for me, and support me with substantial numbers, I will not be present, and my name will not be presented to that Convention with my consent. [Applauded.]

As to the question of money at all, and is perhaps more than I ought to say about personal matters, for in the great contest in which we are about to engage the money question is of no importance, and will not be on our little account compared with the issues involved.

When American politics are so tranquil that a mere

tion between parties, then it is a matter of comparative indifference who is nominated; but the contest this Fall between the Republican and Democratic parties will present for decision questions of the gravest importance, and the candidates chosen for the Republican party must be those who will not only fairly represent our side of these great issues, but who will probably be most certain of election.

The Republican party is the party of principle and the Democratic party is the party of opposition. The Republican party wins only upon its bold leadership on questions of public policy. It proposes now to maintain the policy of resumption and refunding, which has been so successfully executed thus far, but must be supported hereafter by the friendly action of the Government. It proposes to maintain and enforce the constitutional amendments with the same vigor that it

of the National Government to the end that every man, poor or rich, white or black, may be secure in the full enjoyment of civil and political rights. (Applause.) It proposes to foster and extend the system of free common public schools both by State and National Governments, to the end that every

child of the proper age may receive instruction in the primary branches of education, and thus give the poor as well as the rich a fair chance in life, so that the children of the poor may not be excluded in life may not be confined to any favored or fortunate class. [Enthusiastic applause.]

I believe the Republican party is the only party in this country that has the courage and ability to carry out these great objects of the national mind. The out-cast and controlling elements of the Democratic party cannot and ought not to be trusted to secure either of these primary conditions of good government, though they may be able to secure the secondary condition of slavery in high prize. I have a profound distrust of the principles, tendencies, and aims of the Democratic party.

of this party, and now more than ever I would like to see the Government, the Reichstag, and the judicial branches of the Government as an unbroken calvary.

As regards the marked change in the condition of the country since 1877, when the Democrats began to come into power, he said:

"The present financial condition was as desperate and dangerous as it has been at any time since the foundation of the German Empire. Governmental extravagance, the loss of making a livelihood by honest labor, by the hardness of the times, were tramping through the country, stopping at no place, and doing no harm, but spreading riot and violence. Our paper money was below par, and universal distress prevailed all classes of men, and all nations of the world were suffering. It was the strict observance of public obligations, yet, and

Mr. Sherman here read extracts from a printed copy of the letter addressed to the President.

**THE ALIENED CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY.**

Every promise and pledge therein made has been literally fulfilled, and the conditions then existing are now happily changed. From surplus revenues, without any increase of taxation, our debt has been reduced to the sum of \$1,000,000, and this every month the reduction is greater than the increase. In the next month since the creation of the debt, being \$1,000,000. [Great applause.] Hundreds of millions of our bonds,

beating a per cent interest, have been sold, at or above par, and our credit is so advanced that they can now be sold at a premium. The same may be said of the bonds of many perhaps be negotiated successfully at a still lower rate of interest.

Our financial condition is also vastly improved. The Republican party at the last Autumn elections carried, either by a majority or plurality, every State in the North and West, and the result of the late elections is such that we would have carried Indiana and Oregon if there had not been any elections in those States. It is no believed that we would have carried the State of Oregon, and would give majorities for the Republican ticket, as we have derived from so selling by the lawless violence and terrorism of the late elections, and have defeated the will of a majority of the voters.

Such a change in our financial affairs, in which we are about to enter into the President's hands, and

present year.

The Democratic-Unionists attribute all these results to the policy of the Republican party alone; but I do say that without a steady and true maintenance of Republican principles, the country would be a wilderness of weeds and briars; its business crops and the people's "mind" would be choked and stifled.

We admit this and are thankful. We greatly regret this policy, and we are thankful that it is not permanent. But we say that if the Democratic ideas of the past or present Congress were to prevail, our country would be a wilderness of weeds and our industries would still be laboring under the effects of a depericated and disordered currency.

If the Democratic-Unionists are to be maintained and enforced in the midst of doubt, disease and partial defeat, that is the chief branch cause of the great trouble in our country.

It is the duty of the people of the United States to determine in their consciences whether they will support the Republican and the Democratic party to be placed in control of the Executive and Judicial branches of the Government, for the United States is a democracy.

The Democratic-Unionists are in the wrong branch.

The Supreme Court of the United States, which has been the bulwark of equal rights and fair elections, will, in the natural course of events, be changed in a short time.

The Democratic party is in control of the supreme judicial tribunal of the United States.

It is time to be clear that great issue of the campaign, and that is the issue of the rights of the people.

How can the equal rights of all American citizens be supported and maintained if the Democratic party is not to be done by the Democratic party. The steel axis

**DANGER THAT THE REBELS WILL TRIUMPH.**

It will read strangely in American history that the very men who waged unsuccessful war against the Union, who were the cause of the loss of 500,000 men and \$3,000,000,000 of treasure, are now so nearly in possession of nearly all the powers of the Government and only wait success in the

elections next Fall to enable them to rule the Government they sought to destroy, and disregard and reverse all guarantees won by the Union armistice. With such motives, if they carry their design, the rebellion of 1861 is a precedent for the rebellion of 1862. The Government is that they must submit to equal rights for all classes, or if they do not, the courts and laws of the United States will be null and void. Upon this point there will be no division of opinion. If there is any hesitation among Republicans, Secretary of State, Mr. Seward, has said that the rights of the North must be secure in the enjoyment of the political rights, and every power of the National Gov-